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Subject Wednesday Daily Report

The attached file contains the daily report for Wednesday September 10.

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DAILY ACTIVITY REPORT

Site: East Helena ASARCO Smelter

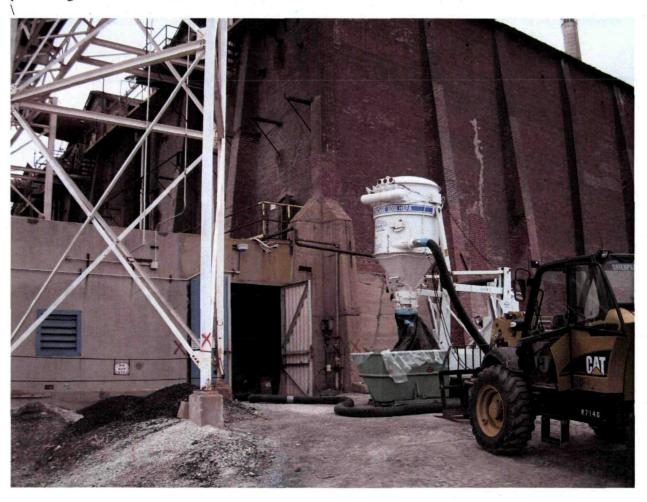
Date/Day/Time: 9-10-2008 / Wednesday/ 1145 – 1230 (Reynolds)

Project: Baghouse and converter cleanout, Steam House demolition

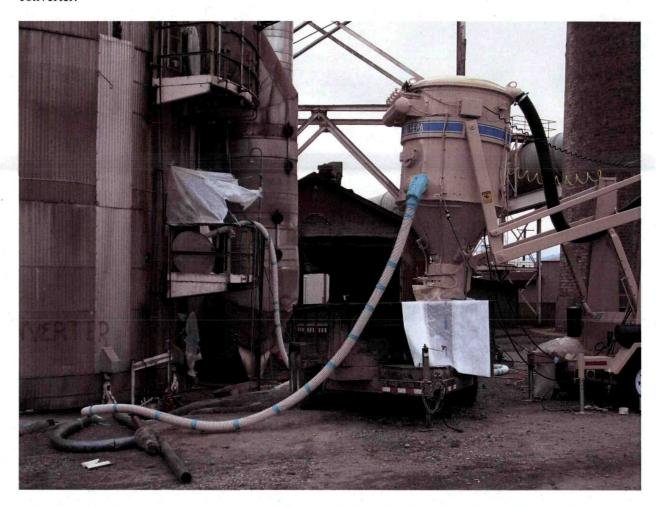
Weather conditions: Cloudy and Calm, 60's

Contractors' on site: IRS Environmental, Cleveland Demolition

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: IRS Environmental is cleaning the waste from the baghouses. On Wednesday the on crew was using a hurricane HEPA vacuum to remove waste from the bottom floor of the baghouse. The waste is isolated in reinforced plastic bags in a metal bin lined with plastic sheeting. When the bag was full the plastic was wrapped around the waste and then the waste was transported to the CAMU 2 and dumped. The following picture shows the hurricane HEPA vacuum above a large plastic bag in the metal container.



On Wednesday the IRS crew was also removing the catalyst from the lowest level of converter with a hurricane vacuum. The catalyst was placed in a sealed plastic bag located on a trailer. When a plastic bag was full it was sealed prior to transport to CAMU 2. The following picture shows the vacuum and converter.



The steam building was demolished on Tuesday. On Wednesday they were recyling the metal waste and transporting the rest to the CAMU. The following picture shows the demolished building.



ISSUES OF CONCERN: None.

ACTION ITEMS: None

HEALTH & SAFETY: Oversight of the demolition activities requires the use of a respirator.

Compliance with the Health and Safety Plan currently in place prevents Tetra Tech staff from entering structures.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES: The IRS crew will continue to clean the baghouse and converter. The cleaning of the converter should be finished Thursday. The converter will then be demolished (probably Friday) to allow access to asbestos siding behind it. The baghouse cleaning should be completed early next week with demolition to follow soon afterward. Next week the IRS crew will start to clean the flues.

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